GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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TECHNICAL EDUCATION BY DEEMED UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is no clear cut demarcation of responsibilities between UGC and AICTE over the deemed universities offering technical education;

(b) if so, the main reasons therefor;

(c) whether due to lack of joint inspection of the university by UGC and AICTE create problems for deemed universities offering technical education,

(d) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken / being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI)

(a) : No, Sir.

(b) : Does not arise.

(c) to (e): The Central Government, in exercise of its powers vested under Section 20(1) of the University Grants Commission (UGC) Act, 1956 and Section 20(1) of the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) Act, 1987, issued a directive to the UGC and the AICTE vide notification dated April 5, 2006, which, inter-alia, provides that while it is not mandatory for deemed to be universities to obtain prior approval of AICTE to start new courses / programmes, it is essential for them to maintain the minimum standards prescribed by the relevant statutory authority responsible for maintenance of standards of education in its field. It further states that in order to ensure the standards of education, the UGC and the ATCTE may cause inspection of the deemed universities, in manner as prescribed in the rules/regulations of these statutory authorities, and the UGC shall take necessary action, if needed, on the basis of the inspection report.